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CIRCULATION, 5,500.

THEY CANNOT BEAT US.

If St. John people were not the most hopeful, the most buoyant as well as the most energetic on the face of the globe, they might well be in a blue mood today. By bull dog persistency and determined effort, by ability and business methods second to none in America, they have rebuilt a better and more prosperous city in a decade. They have fought commercial opposition from every point of the compass and come out ahead every time. They have watched a pampered and coddled neighbor so fattened by government pap that she can hardly stir from her tracks, but with all their staidness they were hardly prepared to see another dainty morsel drop right into her capacious maw.

If St. John had in the past ten years received one-half of the privileges that have been given Halifax, she would be Montreal's strong commercial rival today. But she is bound to grow and prosper, no matter if an additional few millions are spent by the government to carry trade by her doors. St. John has not fought against overwhelming odds in the past to be beaten in this fashion.

There is a very strong feeling of indignation over the turn affairs has taken. Perhaps disgust would express it better, for it shows conclusively the utter selfishness of politicians—their total subservience and disregard of their constituents' interests.

A NEW NAME FOR ST. JOHN.

Mr. S. S. TAYLOR, recently of St. John, but now of Alberta, N. W. T., sends us a *Guide to Settlers*, which fairly glows with inducements to those who have a longing for the "wild and woolly West." Alberta may be a very nice place, Mr. TAYLOR, but St. John is good enough for us. We have no fault to find with "this city by the sea."

Missoula, Montana, boasts of a good many St. John boys, who listened with a too ready ear to the plausible, gilt-edged yarn of a clerk-hunter. Missoula has about 3,000 people, and is alive, but a man had better accept \$500 a year in St. John than \$1,000 there. When you deposit 25 cents for a shave, half a dollar for a hair-cut, and the same for a douse in the only public bath in the place, the rosy hue that surrounded Missoula begins to vanish. Ten dollars a week for board, and everything in the same proportion, will make quite a hole even in \$1,000.

We understand that our friends who are located there call St. John "Paradise," and some of them would be glad to return. One of them has, and our best advice to young fortune-hunters is to seek him out and learn what you can of a western town and western life.

Stay at home, boys.

NO GOOD AS IT IS.

We have no sympathy with the methods of the Fredericton star council. If the Scott act in New Brunswick cannot be enforced without descending to the employment of mormers, the sooner it shares the treatment it is receiving in Ontario the better. Nothing has made the act so unpopular in certain sections as the fanatic and sneaking methods of its enforcement. We will always stand for temperance and the enforcement of proper laws for the regulation or prohibition of the sale of liquor. The Scott act has never been or ever will be such a law. It has proved of greater benefit to the legal profession than any one else. It is a mere half-way measure, prohibiting, it is true, the bar-room sale of liquor, but providing no means sufficient for its enforcement. We need no better example of the utter uselessness of the measure than the city of Portland. Before the Scott act was voted in operation there, the number of rum shops was regulated by the license imposed by the city. Since the act went into force, there are five bar-rooms where there were three; they are kept by persons of both sexes, who get the most poisonous and injurious liquors and sell them day and night, week day and Sunday. There is no person to enforce the law, and the law is not enforced.

NO LOTTERIES WANTED.

About the most promising bill introduced into the legislature this session was brought forward by Hon. Solicitor RITCHIE, a few days ago. It agrees to shut out the advertisements of foreign lotteries. That's right, gentlemen. We don't want any swindling of that kind in this country. You might

even go further and induce the publishers of both the secular and religious press to refrain from placing "7 per cent Kansas investment" advertisements before their readers.

Every publisher should be as careful of the character of the advertisements as of the reading matter in his paper. We have made no secret of our objections to certain kinds of advertisements—notably those announcing and encouraging such frauds as dishonest lotteries; and, after a number of refusals, we were not troubled with "offers." We would far rather publish the advertisement of MACKIE'S whiskey than that of the Quebec lottery. The former announcement treats of an article very objectionable to many who do not, however, and it is said cannot, base their argument on the merit of the whiskey. The lottery on the contrary is marked "Fraud." There is nothing honest about it. It sets out to fleece people and it succeeds. Its advertisements are misleading and false, and, we hold, unfit to appear before any constituency of newspaper readers.

But go a step further, Mr. Solicitor. If you are acting on principle, carry that principle to its logical end. There are "foreign" lotteries which are, so far as it is possible to learn, honestly conducted. If you can lump all lotteries together and label them "immoral," a drawing held in St. Peter's church is as wicked as that which attracts a crowd every month to the New Orleans Academy of Music. If you design to deal a blow at the principle of lotteries, do it like a man and we will all applaud. If you merely want to slap the Louisiana or its advertising sheet, the Chatham *Advance*, tell us that, too,—and we will give you as much credit for conscience and courage as you deserve.

AN INJUSTICE.

The recent passage of the act forbidding net fishing for salmon in the tidal waters of the rivers of New Brunswick, is a gross injustice to the riparian proprietors. The fathers and grandfathers of these owners have enjoyed the privilege—indeed, many of the farms attached will be rendered almost valueless without the salmon fishery and a very important class of our population will be seriously crippled in their means of obtaining a livelihood. The government should now pass an act to convert the province into a sporting ground for American tourists and assist our people to leave the country. As far as the tidal waters of the St. John river are concerned it is well known that salmon will not rise to the fly on them. If, long ago, the drifting for salmon in the Bay of Fundy had been prevented, there would have been no scarcity of the fish in the river now. The Pisarico fishermen with their long nets have done more to break up the schools of salmon and divert them from their course than all the other causes combined. For whose benefit are expensive hatcheries maintained and fishways constructed? Not, surely, for sportsmen. There will be most determined opposition to this legislation on the part of the St. John river salmon fishermen, who will unite to test the constitutionality of the act.

There are no spawning grounds in the St. John river in tidal waters.

HE REMEMBERED HIS FRIENDS.

MR. WILLIAM GRANT GAUNCE is decidedly the sensation of the week. Mr. GAUNCE has all the modern attributes of a first class boodler. He was a temperance advocate, a pious church-goer, and one account even goes so far as to say that he was a teacher or superintendent of a Sunday school. It is curious how one's former good qualities do stick out when the suspicious shadow falls on him. No matter if a man or a woman belongs only to the Salvation army, that is a more prominent fact than his or her wrong doing. Yet for all this, we think that the Salvation army will pull through and that the spiritual condition of the Celestial Sabbath schools and churches will not be seriously impaired.

Either Mr. GAUNCE is a much-maligned man, or he is a very successful villain. He has excited the admiration of a good many people by selecting politicians, in the main, for his victims. He didn't even forget the leader of the government or the president of the Legislative council.

But whatever may be said of Mr. WILLIAM GRANT GAUNCE, whatever charges are laid at his door, now or hereafter, it cannot be said of him that he forgot his friends. He has remembered many of them in a very tangible fashion, and it is extremely doubtful if we ever know just how many.

PROGRESS' faith in Union street has been unshaken from the first, and has been expressed frequently. It is the liveliest building centre in St. John today, and promises to be a splendid business centre. Enterprising merchants are there and others are following. Real estate men are appreciating the value of buildings and land there. One splendid brick building has gone up and another is rising to keep it company. Now all we want is the Opera house completed, and the future of Union street will be no longer a matter of doubt.

The St. John Gas Light company was established just 44 years ago tomorrow. It is old enough to know better.



It tells you, m'amin, washing can't be done well unless the soap is right. I've been washing these 30 years and tried all kinds, and there's none like Logan's Ideal Soap for taking dirt & stains out of the clothes without rotting them, and it don't make the hands rough and sore as many soaps do. It's made by Wm Logan St. John, all grocers sell it.

New Stove Store,

No. 38 KING STREET,

(Opposite "The Royal" Hotel.)

STOVES, RANGES and KITCHEN HARDWARE,
CLOTHES HORSES, STEP LADDERS, Etc.

Call and See the "ROYAL" WRINGER! It is the Best!

Stoves Lined and Repaired by competent workmen.

HALL STOVES taken down and stored at a reasonable price.

Don't Fail to See our Stock.

SHERATON & SELFRIDGE.

DIAMONDS,
RUBIES,
SAPPHIRES,
EMERALDS,
PEARLS,
OPALS,
TORQUOISE,
CORALS,
MOON STONES,
CRYSOULITES,
TOPAZ,
AMETHYSTS,
and other Gems.

**W. TREMAINE GARD,
GOLDSMITH,
Practical Jeweler, Optician, Diamond Setter
and Electro-Plater,**

No. 81 KING STREET, (VICTORIA HOTEL),

Manufacturer and Repairer of

FINE GOLD AND SILVER JEWELRY, WATCHES, Etc.

Orders from out of town promptly attended to.

Birthday, Friendship, Engagement and Wedding Gifts,
SPECIALTIES.

WATCHES,
CLOCKS,
JEWELRY,
SOLID SILVER
and
PLATED GOODS,
SPECTACLES,
OPERA GLASSES
FANS,
PENS and PENCILS,
WALKING STICKS,
JAPANESE GONGS,
JET GOODS.

If the Floridians keep on and follow their general custom Mr. GEORGE E. FENETY will return to New Brunswick with "major," "colonel," or "general" tacked on to him. They don't ask a man's permission to do that sort of a trick, down there, but anyone who thinks another should have a handle to his name gives him one and that settles it. The Tallahassee *Floridian* takes the initiative step in Mr. FENETY's case with "Honorable."

"JOHN GRIFFIN has preferred a charge of criminal libel against JOHN T. JOHNS, of Ottawa, of Wild West circus notoriety," says an Ottawa dispatch. That's funny. It must be a pretty tough statement that would libel the Pipsisewa candy man—or the Howe's circus fakir, either.

PROGRESS is informed that Captain CROPLEY, of Fredericton, has given up his stationery and book-binding business in order to establish a school of journalism. Mr. GULLOD, of St. John, will be his first pupil.

American Consul COLEMAN, of Fredericton, has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment. How is this? Can an American consul be jailed?

Room Paper Five cents a roll, at McArthur's Bookstore, Portland, opposite Bell Tower.

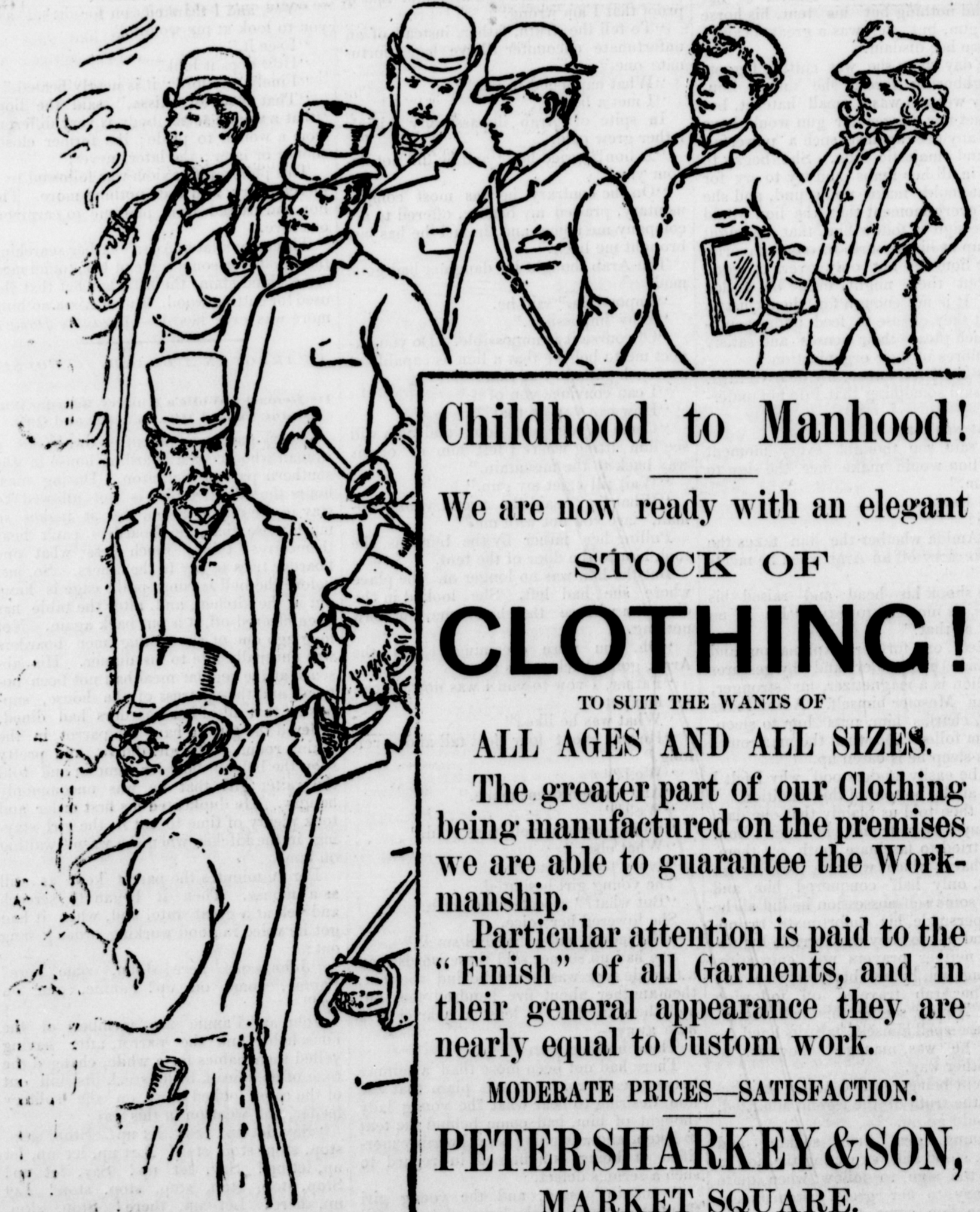
PEN AND PRESS.

Campbellton is in a fair way to become a newspaper metropolis. It was a great day for the Restigouche region when C. Bruce McDougall brought his collar-box to town.

Our esteemed contemporaries in Chatham, Newcastle and Moncton continue to have a good deal of fun with each other. "Liar" and "skunk" seem to be the mildest terms in their vocabulary.

"I am afraid we are going to lose Mr. R. J. Gilbert from our province," writes a Shediac correspondent, "as I hear he is going to South Africa to report for some New York weekly." Mr. Gilbert will make juicy eating for some cannibal tribe—if they take the precaution to sprinkle plenty of salt on him.

The New York *Press* keeps R. Ho & Co. pretty busy. They are now building for it two machines that beat their best record, but the *Press* will probably outgrow them in a year, as it has its present fine outfit. The difference between the *Press* and its presses will be that the former is perfect and the latter perfecting.



Childhood to Manhood!

We are now ready with an elegant

STOCK OF

CLOTHING!

TO SUIT THE WANTS OF

ALL AGES AND ALL SIZES.

The greater part of our Clothing being manufactured on the premises we are able to guarantee the Workmanship.

Particular attention is paid to the "Finish" of all Garments, and in their general appearance they are nearly equal to Custom work.

MODERATE PRICES—SATISFACTION.

PETER SHARKEY & SON, MARKET SQUARE.

Repair the Pavement.

Last winter the Gas company cut two large holes in the Prince William street pavement and repaired them probably as well as was possible at that time, but they are not what they should be at present, and Street Inspector Martin should remind the gas company of the fact.

Save Time and Money.

Give PROGRESS an order for advertising cuts, as suitable for your business as Messrs. Logan's, Manson's, McAvity's, Burnham's and Sharkey's are for theirs. They don't cost too much, and the order is always executed very promptly. PROGRESS is the sole agent in the maritime provinces for its engravers, the Electro-Light Engraving company of New York.—Advt.

Changed His Quarters.

Mr. George W. Day has moved his printing rooms from the Fuzsley building to the old Par' hotel, on King square. His friends will find him there ready for business.

Leave your orders for Carpet Cleaning at Harold Gillet's, 54 King St.

"The Pretty Store."

AGAIN WE ARE TO THE FRONT! This time with a very complete stock of HOSIERY and GLOVES for the present season, manufactured especially for the City trade. Our range is as extensive as many of the larger houses; THE VALUES ARE BETTER. Careful attention has been given to the sizes, the same number in Kid applying to the Fabric makes. All qualities in Frame Lisle, Taffeta, Spun Silk and Taffeta Frame; also, the New Silk Glove, with Kid fingers.

In HOSIERY we show Cotton, Lisle, Silk and Summer Cashmere makes. The "Gloria" Black is guaranteed fast dye. Every pair marked "Gloria." In Colored Hose mode shades are Fashionable. See the New Lametta Lisle, the finest and best in Summer Hosiery.

THE "DOREL" KID GLOVE is fast making a reputation for its superiority over other makes now in this market—90c. per pair in 4-B. lengths; Mosquetaire, 6-B., \$1.20. Sent post-paid.

BARNES & MURRAY, 17 CHARLOTTE STREET.

The New Crockery Store, 94 KING STREET.

NEW GOODS ARRIVING DAILY.

SEE THE NEW TABLE GLASSWARE;
NEW BEDROOM SETS;
NEW FANCY GLASSWARE, FAIRY LAMPS.

All Goods at LOWEST PRICES.

C. MASTERS.

Easter Flowers.

We will show for Easter the most exquisitely beautiful French Flowers. The following are the favorites: Wild Roses, Violets, Primroses, Marguerites, Picottus, Cowslip, Lilac, Mimosa, Chrysanthemums, Astors, Lilies of the Valley and Orchids, mounted on wreaths to go under as well as over the brims.

RIBBONS.

As Ribbons have become very fashionable, we have secured an elegant stock, in fancy patterns and plaids and stripes.

DRESS GOODS

We have always been celebrated for having fashionable Dress Stuffs at a low price. This spring we are booming Dress Goods from 10c. to 60c., single and double widths.

The new Tipppo Tib Combination Suiting, at the ridiculously low price of 10c. and 15c., specially adapted for this climate, and will not cockle up with wet or dampness.

Ladies' and Children's Handkerchiefs, with pretty colored borders, from 3c.

Dress and Mantle making executed on the premises.

MANSON'S, 16 King Street.